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Md. awards \$1.1 million in community health care grants; Baltimore city tops the list

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ANNAPOLIS, Md. — The Maryland Community Health Resources Commission is awarding \$1.1 million to improve access to medical and dental care statewide.

Lt. Gov. Anthony Brown announced the 15 awards Wednesday.

Baltimore city tops the list, with three grants totaling \$183,000. The largest is \$109,000 to Catholic Charities' Esperanza Center. The center provides services to new immigrants.

The biggest single grant of \$140,000 is to the Community Clinic Inc. in Montgomery County. It serves people who are uninsured or under-insured.

One unusual grant is a \$100,000 award to the Bel Alton High School Alumni Association of Charles County. The group worked in the last 20 years to turn what was once an all-black high school into a community center. The grant will help provide pediatric dental care at the group's new health center.

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